



TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 31, 1907.

The Gazette extends the compliments of the season to its many patrons and friends and wishes them all a happy and a prosperous New Year.

ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE.

The 108th volume of the Alexandria Gazette closes with today's issue. As heretofore stated, while the Gazette counts its years from 1800, the paper was published during the last score of the 18th century, copies of the Gazette bearing the dates 1793 to 1795 being occasionally unearthed to attest this, while the court records of Alexandria show the Gazette was published as early as 1784. But the regular files only run back to 1800.

There were a number of sporadic publications termed newspapers printed in this country as far back as 1704, but the bulk of these were short-lived, some having survived but one issue. Others, however, had longer tenures of life, but during the revolutionary war newspaper mortality was great, and most of those which had appeared occasionally before the outbreak of hostilities did not resume publication after the close of the conflict.

The Gazette was a post-revolutionary enterprise, and appeared at an opportune time. Apart from the town of Alexandria, what is now known as the entire Eighth Congressional district was but sparsely settled, and this place was the market town for a large portion of eastern Virginia. The Gazette was necessarily the official paper for the counties adjacent to Alexandria.

At that time, as now, a special tri-weekly edition was printed for circulation in the country for the reason that in most places the mails were received but three times a week, others semi-weekly, while numbers of inland places had to await the arrival of a weekly mail.

In the year 1810 there were but twenty-seven newspapers published in the United States. Among this number was the Alexandria Gazette. The others were printed in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, New Orleans, Charleston, S. C., and Georgetown, D. C. Most of the Gazette's contemporaries of that time have long since died. The Gazette, however, has continued under all political and financial conditions, and is today enjoying a patronage seldom attained at any time in its history, and is as much of an essential as ever.

The history of newspaper enterprise in this and neighboring cities during the past hundred years would occupy more space than can be devoted to the subject at this time, but many now living can remember some of the journals contemporaneous with the Gazette which have long since ceased to exist. The National Intelligencer, published by Gale and Seaton, was first issued in 1800, and continued to be published for sixty-seven years. It fell out of the race shortly after the close of the civil war, between forty and fifty other papers are published in the capital city at different times during the nineteenth century, and at the present time but one lay claim to age. The Gazette has been as many years to its credit, however.

The Gazette will begin its 109th volume tomorrow, having been read by people in three centuries. It will be the dearest of those having charge of it to sustain its reputation, and to use every exertion to make it an essential in every Alexandria household. Its arrival is as welcome and as anticipated in the families and counting houses of our people for many reasons, not only from the fact that it contains the local happenings as extended as possible, while all the current events of the world is presented as soon as the ocean cables and telegraph companies can transmit it. Apart from these features, the city advertising space in its columns, rendering it a home situation which but few can afford to do without.

We wish all our subscribers and advertisers a happy New Year.

THE END OF THE YEAR.

The year 1907 will come to an end at midnight. Notwithstanding the startling events certain "seers" forecast last December, the year will not go down in history as remarkable. About the average number of mice, railroad and other calamities have occurred during the past 365 days, but, apart from the financial flurry of the past few months, but little outside the ordinary has characterized the year now closing. Seasons have followed seasons and the earth has brought forth average crops in most places. There have been no great national calamities nor sanguinary wars, nor have rulers been killed, as some dreamed would be the case.

Alexandria has kept pace with the times, and while comparatively few buildings have been erected, considerable street improvements have been made. King street, the city's main thorough-

fare, is now one of the best paved in the world, the vitrified brick having been extended west to the city's limit, and early in the year the railroad companies and the authorities of Alexandria county will continue the improvement of the street to the new union passenger depot.

A few fine structures have been built during the year, among them the Fairfax Apartment House at the northeast corner of King and Columbus streets, and the George R. Hill Memorial Building, adjoining the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

The business interests of the city have been well maintained by the merchants, and while calamities have overtaken certain institutions in other cities, Alexandria has forged along in the even tenor of her way, slowly but surely, unhampered by loss of confidence in those at the head of its business interests.

While no one can tell positively what is in the future, nothing is apparent at this time calculated to seriously disturb present conditions.

The beginning of a year is regarded with more or less superstition by many. Some seem to imagine that should they go wrong at the beginning, blunders will follow them until the next New Year's Day—or, in other words, that the Creator governs the world by omens and silly accidental conditions. It would be ludicrous to comment on such hallucinations. It is the duty of all to begin the year with intelligent and reasoning minds, and that should misadventures occur to make each day a critic upon the last. This duty is not only incumbent upon the community, but upon each individual member thereof. There is much to be done in the way of pushing the city ahead, and it requires united action in the work.

Alexandria has had during the past half century much with which to contend. Hardly had the city ceased to be the tail of the District of Columbia kite when stock was taken in legitimate enterprises from which large returns were reasonably expected. The Alexandria Canal, Orange and Alexandria, Manassas Gap and Alexandria, Loudoun and Hampshire railroads received material aid from the city. Just at the time Alexandria was about to receive some of the benefits of her outlay, the civil war came on and she was destined to see most, if not all, her hopes from these sources vanish.

The close of hostilities found the city in an uncertain condition. Thousands of people who had followed the federal army to Alexandria soon left for other parts of the country, and in a little while but few save our own citizens remained. Beginning again at the lowest rung of the ladder, our people rose superior to their difficulties, and have forged ahead until Alexandria is now in a more healthy commercial condition than at any other time in its history.

Let us in the coming year forget the things that are behind and push forward, each and every Alexandrian realizing his responsibility and performing his part toward accelerating the interests of his city.

REV. CYRUS TOWNSEND BRADY, "Key-Stone," preacher of sermons and spinner of yarns, appealed to a considerable number of men and women, who may be presumed to be experts in the matter, for their definition of a gentleman. Probably from none of them will he get a better summary of the characteristics of the person under consideration than the statement of the Manchester, N. H., Union that "a gentleman always stands ready to help some one else, is sparing in his criticism, makes serious statements only when he is sure of his ground, is kind to a woman, good to the children, and isn't always hankering to cheat the eye-teeth out of his neighbor." It is essential to a gentleman, adds the Philadelphia Record, that he should have good manners, but good manners, in distinction from mere etiquette, which is of little importance, consists of thoughtfulness for others, for their rights and also for their comfort and pleasure. Probably every man takes it for granted that he is a gentleman, and introspection and reflection are not much in fashion. But if any man should raise the question in his own mind whether he is a gentleman or not he could solve the problem by considering how his language and actions and manners affect the rights and comfort of other people. The Golden Rule is worth all the books on etiquette in the world, for the epigram that "manners are minor morals" is very much more than a witticism. A man who treats others as he would like to have them treat him may not be entirely polished, but that superficial finish will come from rubbing against other people. There would be no bores in the world if every one cared to avoid causing discomfort and annoyance to others.

From Washington.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 31. Besides stocks and bonds, it is understood that the new financial bill which is being prepared by leading Senators will authorize the acceptance of gilt-edged commercial paper and real estate mortgages, as security for national bank circulation. Although it is not intended to take this character of security beyond a moderate percentage of its par value, the innovation is a radical one. It is dictated because of the fact that many of the smaller banks throughout the south and west particularly do not possess bonds to put on deposit with the treasury in order to secure their circulation. To obtain bonds, whether national or State, they would, in most cases, have to purchase

them from brokers or from big speculative institutions in the larger cities, and would have to pay for them a premium above their original cost price. For this reason it is contended that the smaller banks have in the past been unable to take out additional circulation at a profit, even when conditions in their immediate neighborhood were such as to create a demand for currency.

There is, therefore, it is pointed out, a decided need for some additional acceptable security, other than national, State, or municipal bonds, which can be used by country banks as a basis of circulation. High grade commercial paper and first lien real estate mortgages are believed to meet this necessity, and it is understood that the bill now in course of preparation by the Senate leaders will include authorization for the use of both of these as acceptable security.

Efforts are being made to avoid any lengthy financial debate in Congress when the proposed remedial measure is introduced, on the grounds, first, that the subject is not a political one; and, second, that sensational talk on the subject might tend to alarm the people and bring back a recurrence of the conditions from which the country is just about recovering. With this subject in view, the republican leaders have been making overtures to those on the democratic side and it is hoped that, by meeting some of the views of the latter, the bill finally decided upon may be passed by the Senate without friction, and with the least possible waste of time. The republican organization in the House is expected to accept whatever measure receives the approval of the majority in the Senate, and to push it through, without any waste of time, by the aid of the machinery of the committee on currency.

At the suggestion of the United Press, the Comptroller of the Currency has prepared a New Year's message to the American people, dealing with the recent panic and its probable effects. He says: "The worst is past, but we have a long period of readjustment and recuperation before us. Values of all kinds will have to be rearranged; we shall have to go through a period of retrenchment and liquidation; after we have paid our debts and reduced our expenses, the great resources of the land will revive our business, let us hope on a more sound and enduring basis than ever before."

A telegram from Gen. Funston at San Francisco, regarding conditions at Goldfield, received today at the War Department, suggests that two companies of federal soldiers, recruited to the full strength of 65 men each, will be sufficient to cope with any situation likely to arise. He says that the mere presence of a detachment, however, small, would serve to prevent trouble.

The first half of the government's fiscal year, ended today shows that expenditures have exceeded receipts by \$9,402,431. In the same period last year, receipts were over \$25,000,000 in excess of expenditures. In the month just closed, compared to December of last year, the customs have struck over \$6,000,000 and there has been a falling off of several millions in internal revenue. Expenditures were \$11,000,000 greater than last December.

President Roosevelt finished out the old year today with a Cabinet meeting having returned last night from a week's hunting at Pine Knot, Va. He had few engagements through the day.

SECRETARY TAFT'S SPEECH.

Secretary Taft took his stand behind the Roosevelt policies in a speech last night at the dinner of the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association in Boston. It was his first public pronouncement on his platform, since his trip around the world, and, taking the recent financial stringency as a theme, he reiterated what he has previously indicated as his own policy if elected to the presidency, declaring: "The question which you have ultimately to meet is not whether we shall return to a condition of unregulated railways and unregulated trusts, but it is whether we shall maintain a strict system of regulation of railways and trusts or whether we shall turn the country over to the advocates of government ownership and State socialism. Anyone who seeks a retrograde step from the policy of the administration, on the theory that it would be a real step toward conservatism, is blind to every political sign of the times."

During his speech Mr. Taft said: "If the abuses of monopoly and discrimination (cannot be restrained, if it is made manifest that under the system of individualism and private property the tyranny and oppression of an oligarchy of wealth cannot be avoided, then socialism will triumph and the institution of private property will perish. The administration has been thus far successful in showing that dangers from individualism can be effectively regulated and that abuses in the exercise of private property can be restrained. Thus a great conservative victory has been won and the coming of socialism has been stayed."

"The question which you have ultimately to meet is not whether we shall return to a condition of unregulated railways and unregulated trusts, but whether we shall maintain a strict system of regulation of railways and trusts or whether we shall turn the country over to the advocates of government ownership and State socialism. I am earnestly opposed to government ownership of the interstate railways. Government ownership of railways means State socialism, an increase in the power of the central government that would be dangerous."

Stock Exchange Wrecked.

Rome, Dec. 31.—A dynamite bomb has partially wrecked the Stock Exchange here. The entire roof has fallen in. Eighteen wounded persons have been taken out. Many others are buried in the ruins. It is feared numbers were killed. The explosion rocked the city for many blocks. The bomb is supposed to have been thrown to prevent liquidation at the end of the month in the exchange.

A Real Wonder Land.

South Dakota, with its silver mines, bonanza farms, wide ranges and strange natural formations, is a veritable wonderland. At Mount City, in the home of Mrs. E. D. Clapp, a wonderful case of healing has lately occurred. Her son seemed near death with lung and throat trouble. "Exhausting coughing spells occurred every five minutes," writes Mrs. Clapp, "when I began giving Dr. King's New Discovery, the great medicine that saved his life and completely cured him." Guaranteed for coughs and colds, throat and lung troubles, by all druggists, 50c, and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

The Market.

Georgetown, Dec. 31.—Wheat 96c100.

News of the Day.

Sergeant Tacker, of the U. S. Engineers, committed suicide at Pinar del Rio, Cuba, last night.

Minister of Justice Deshaigue of France is dead of apoplexy. He has long been prominent in French politics.

Jim Parr, the English champion, was defeated last night at Chicago by Charles Olaso, the St. Louis wrestler, in a catch-as-catch-can bout.

Representatives of New York firms trading with China and Manchuria declare that the Japanese have closed the door to the trade of America and other nations as completely as ever Russia did.

Because their wages have been reduced to a dollar a day, 2,000 laborers at the Charles Town, S. C., phosphate mill struck today. A complete tie-up of business is threatened unless a settlement is reached.

A complete plant for manufacturing high explosives, twenty-seven finished bombs and 120 others but partly completed have been found by the police in a farm house twenty miles from Sevastopol. Three men were arrested on the premises.

Two miners were fatally burned and two houses wrecked by a powder explosion today at Wilcox, near Pittsburg, Pa. A spark fell from a workman's lamp into a powder keg. One of the men was blown across the room and the other knocked down and stunned.

Secretary Taft left Boston today assured of a united Massachusetts delegation at the republican convention.

Previous to his arrival in Boston it had been rumored that United States Senator Crane was preparing to break with his senior colleague, Lodge, and support the candidacy of Governor Hughes.

About six o'clock this morning a locomotive exploded at Trenton, N. J., killing Engineer Thomas Goldings. The fireman had not yet been found at 10 o'clock this morning. This train is one of the fastest freight trains in the country, running between Philadelphia and Jersey City, therefore blocking much traffic between those two cities.

President Roosevelt returned to Washington at 8:50 o'clock last night, after a five days' outing at Pine Knot, Va., the country home of Mrs. Roosevelt.

Accompanying the President were Mrs. Roosevelt, the Roosevelt children, Miss Carey, a sister of Mrs. Roosevelt, and Surgeon General P. M. Rixey, of the navy.

Virginia News.

A delegation from the tribe of Pamunkey Indians in Virginia yesterday made their annual call on Governor Swanson and gave him a fine deer.

Mrs. Decanada Carter died Sunday at her home in Boyce, Clarke county, from the infirmities of age. She was a Miss Knight, and was the widow of John W. Carter. She leaves one son, a daughter and two brothers.

Capt. Murray F. Taylor, of California, has purchased of Mrs. Hillier the handsome estate, Farm Hill, on the Rappahannock river, one mile north of Fredericksburg. The property was formerly the home of Captain Murray's father, Dr. J. B. Taylor.

Mr. John S. Fant, of Fauquier county, died in Washington yesterday. The deceased was an ex-Confederate soldier, and during the civil war was a member of the Black Horse Cavalry. He was one of the soldiers sent to Harper's Ferry in 1859 by Gov. Wise. Mr. Fant was 69 years old.

Mrs. John Gearhart, wife of a bookkeeper in a brewery in Phoenix, committed suicide yesterday by sending a .32-caliber bullet through her brain. No cause for the act can be assigned, except that Mrs. Gearhart had been suffering for a week with toothache. She was a native of Nevada.

William F. Rhea, of Bristol, who will be appointed by Gov. Swanson to succeed Henry C. Stuart, as a member of the corporation commission, about February 1, is preparing to move to Richmond to make his home. Mr. Stuart will return to his home in southwest Virginia, and, after a brief rest, will launch his campaign for the democratic gubernatorial nomination.

REMAINS IDENTIFIED.

Some light was thrown yesterday on the mystery surrounding the death of the woman whose nude body was found last Thursday hidden in the muddy ooze of a pond near Harrison, N. J., when Mrs. Frank Hull, of New York, went to the Newark Morgue and declared positively that the dead woman was Mrs. Agnes Young, who formerly lived with her and later with a Mrs. King in Brooklyn. The police believe that Mrs. Hull's identification is correct.

Mrs. Hull said that she went to Jersey City with Mrs. Young on Christmas Day. Following luncheon she parted with her companion, who, she understood, was going on to Newark to join a household party.

Mrs. Hull says Mrs. Young was a typewriter and stenographer, and was the wife of an engineer, but that she had not lived with her husband for several years.

Mrs. Hull said that when they left Mrs. King's home on Christmas morning Mrs. Young had \$300 in her purse and wore a diamond ring. On their arrival at Jersey City they were met by a man, whom she named, with whom they had luncheon. When the luncheon party broke up Mrs. Hull returned to New York.

New York, Dec. 31.—A Mrs. Agnes Young, who says she is unquestionably the person referred to by Mrs. Frank Hull in the latter's identification of the corpse found Thursday in a pool in the outskirts of Harrison, N. J., is employed in a real estate office at 315 Madison avenue, Manhattan. She is alive, well and indignant that Mrs. Hull should have brought her name into the murder mystery. What is more, she says, she knows no Charles Meyers; has been working at the same firm for nearly two years; has never been near Harrison, and was certainly not there on Christmas Day. She admits acquaintance with Mrs. Hull and expresses unbounded amazement at the latter's story.

DeWitt's Carbolic With Hazel Salve. Get DeWitt's. Sold by W. F. Creighton & Co.

DIED.

At 8:55 Saturday night, December 28, PAUL B. EVANS, aged 84 years. His funeral took place yesterday, Monday, evening at 3 o'clock from his late residence, No. 520 south Henry street. Burial in the cemetery at Philadelphia and other Pennsylvania papers please copy.

Today's Telegraphic News.

Stole Three Thousand Dollars. Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 31.—With the Rochester Railway Company's treasure chest, containing \$3,000 in cash, in the tonneau of their automobile, two highwaymen were tearing west along the Buffalo road, an automobile posse in pursuit, but according to last news in the rear. The robbers snatched the plunder just after 6 o'clock. Dumping the heavy chest into their waiting machine, they threw the lever over to the last notch and shot forward at express speed. The money included the street railway's receipts yesterday. They had been kept over night in the safe at the Federal street division headquarters, but were locked in the big treasury chest and loaded into a trolley car early today for transfer to the division dispatching office. There the crew left the car for an instant to get orders. A huge touring automobile with two men in the front seat, drew up alongside at the same moment, and, as stated above, succeeded in getting away with the money.

Troubles with Zulus. Pietermaritzburg, Natal, Dec. 31.—Despite the Zulu chief, Dinizulu's arrest, trouble with his followers is still imminent. So great is the fear of a massacre in the Negutche district that the second and third reserves have been put under arms. Chief Mnyaisa, whose men were responsible for the Holkerantz massacre during the Boer war, has been ordered to surrender the arms which fell into his possession at that time. Unless he complies promptly troops will be sent against him. Dinizulu's preliminary examination is in progress here. He is accused of inspiring the murders of an English magistrate and a number of pro-English native chieftains.

Fought to a Draw. Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 31.—The Managers of both Hugo Kelly and Billy Papke are angling today for another go between the two men who last night fought one of the fastest and fiercest ten-round draws ever seen in this city. Each man claims he was entitled to the decision last night and the fans who witnessed the contest are about equally of the opinion that it was a draw. Kelly clearly outpointed the new comer, but Papke outslugged the Italian and at a couple of stages in the game had him almost out. Only Kelly's wonderful recuperative powers enabled him to come back fresh at the opening of each round.

Corruption in Portugal. Lisbon, Dec. 31.—Corruption has proven too strong for Premier Franco of Portugal. His dictatorship is to end and constitutional government is to be restored with the spring elections. An annual subsidy was paid for the maintenance of three educational convents which had been closed for thirty years.

Altogether, 2,600 persons were found to be drawing handsome incomes from such sources. To lead an army of 32,000 there were ninety-six generals with an assortment of colonels, majors and captains sufficient to bring the total of officers up to about one for every three men.

Ransom Guaranteed.

Targier, Dec. 31.—Caid, Sir Harry McLaren, the Scotch military adventurer, who has commanded the Sultan's army for years, is expected here hourly. He has been in the bandit Raisuli's hands since July 3. McLaren was conducting a negotiation between the Sultan and Raisuli at the time. The latter professed to have discovered a plan to capture him, seized the Caid, retreated to the hills with him and defied pursuit ever since. The British government has guaranteed payment of a \$100,000 ransom to the bandit, protection for himself and family and release of all his imprisoned tribesmen.

Strike Declared.

Madisonville, Ky., Dec. 31.—The national and district officers of the United Mine Workers of America have issued a strike call for all union men employed in mines in this district to come out on January 1 and the big strike of coal miners in Hopkins, Union, Webster and Christian counties will begin. Preparations for a struggle have been completed, large sums of money having been shipped into this territory by the national organization. The coal companies have also been making preparations and many guards are now employed.

Death of Bishop Andrews.

New York, Dec. 31.—After fifty-nine years service in the church, Bishop Edward C. Andrews, of the Methodist Episcopal church, known to the country over as the man who preached the funeral sermon at the bier of President McKinley at the rotunda at the national capital, died today. Bishop Andrews was eighty-two years old. Probably the bishop's greatest work was raising his twentieth century thank offering when \$200,000,000 was collected from Methodists all over the country.

Elopers in San Francisco.

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—Rev. Jere Knode Cooke and Floretta Whaley, his pretty ward, with whom he eloped from Hempstead, L. I., are in hiding with friends in San Francisco. Their refuge is being guarded from the public, but Cooke has announced that he will return to the east with the girl and their child, and will endeavor to get his wife to obtain a divorce so he may marry Floretta.

For any of the ordinary diseases of the skin Chamberlain's Salve is excellent. It not only allays the itching and smarting but effects a cure. For sale by Richard Gibson, and W. F. Creighton & Co.

The Thaw Trial.

New York, Dec. 31.—Harry Kendall Thaw's counsel announced today that their client's sister, the Countess of Yarmouth, will not come to this country from England for her brother's second trial. Mrs. William Thaw, his mother, though very ill, will be here Friday for a conference with her son's chief counsel, Martin Littleton. She is coming from Pittsburg against her physician's advice.

Badly Mixed Up.

Abraham Brown, of Winterton, N. Y., had a very remarkable experience, he says: "Doctors got badly mixed up over me; one said heart disease; two called it kidney trouble; the fourth, blood poison, and the fifth stomach and liver trouble; but none of them helped me; so my wife advised trying Electric Bitters, which are restoring me to perfect health. One bottle did me more good than all the five doctors prescribed. Guarantees for blood poison, nervous and all stomach, liver and kidney complaints, by all druggists, fifty cents."

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DRY GOODS.

SUITS
Greatly Reduced.
Dark Red, Plain Brown, and Navy Blue Suits—In Broadcloths, Shadow Stripes, Worsteds, Cheviots, and Serges.

\$19.50 and \$25 Suits.....\$17.75
\$29.50 and \$35 Suits.....\$27.75
\$35 and \$40 Suits.....\$32.75
\$40 and \$45 Suits.....\$37.75
\$45 and \$50 Suits.....\$42.75
\$50 and \$55 Suits.....\$47.75
Suits marked as high as \$30.....\$27.75
Suits marked from \$22.50 to \$38.50.....\$19.75
Suits marked from \$32.50 to \$39.50.....\$29.75
Suits marked from \$42.50 to \$49.50.....\$34.75
Suits marked from \$49.50 to \$59.50.....\$44.75

Plain Black Suits in Broadcloth, Striped Worsteds, Cheviots, and Serges.

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Plumber Kills Himself.
Worcester, Mass., Dec. 31.—When the relatives of Albert Reynolds called for him to attend anniversary mass for his dead father this morning they found him dead from a revolver shot through the heart. Reynolds, a prosperous plumber, had gone into the rear of his shop and fired three bullets into his breast. It is believed that death of his father of whom he was exceedingly fond had caused the sudden determination to take his life.

Diamond Robbery.

Pindley, O., Dec. 31.—Joseph Laboon and J. C. Moran, living their homes as London, England, are under arrest here charged with diamond robbery. Last night the two men entered a store and asked to see some diamonds. A tray containing \$5,000 worth was set out before them when they beat the proprietor into insensibility and ran with the diamonds. They were captured and all the the diamonds recovered except two rings.

Accident to Tolstoi.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 31.—Count Leo Tolstoi has been thrown from his horse and suffered a dislocated shoulder, according to news from his country estate today. Despite his age, it is said that the patient is doing well.

New York Stock Market.

New York, Dec. 31.—The upward movement was continued this morning. There were some reactions after the high prices were made in the first few minutes and at the end of the hour the stocks were forced into great prominence showed only slight advances over yesterday's closing. After the first hour the market continued to yield slowly under realizing sales. Nearly everything on the list fell back to the close under yesterday's close but in the case of the declines amount to as much as a full point, except Pennsylvania, which dropped from 11 to 10 1/2.

WHITES AND BLACKS FIGHT.

In a riot between whites and blacks at Bryson City, N. C. yesterday five white men were shot and a number of others had injured. Revolvers, iron spikes, and rocks were freely used by both sides. All of the injured are white.

A dozen or more negroes have been arrested and remanded to jail pending an investigation of the difficulty. There is much feeling over the occurrence. The trouble occurred at the Southern Railway station, where a large number of passengers were in the waiting room of the station. Bad blood has existed between the whites and blacks for some time. The negroes have indulged in the reprehensible practice of throwing heavy iron railroad spikes and rocks at white men at night. Serious trouble had been momentarily expected.

Both whites and blacks have been armed for several days. About twenty white men were standing on the platform of the station when a squad of negroes approached, stopped a short distance away, and without further warning began to shoot into the crowd, five of the men being struck before their companions had grasped the situation sufficiently to prepare for a defense.

POURED BEER IN SEWER.

A branch brewery at Oklahoma poured into a city sewer 2,300 barrels of freshly brewed beer valued at \$17,400 under a permit granted by the United States Internal Revenue Commissioner at Washington. While hundreds of persons watched the operation the barrels were knocked open and the contents emptied into the sewer. An official of the company stated that this was done because the new law of Oklahoma forbids the manufacture and sale of intoxicants in that State. The beer had been made before the law became effective. It had not matured enough to be saleable, and the State refused to allow its shipment to other States. There was nothing else to do save destroy the beer.

Prof. Thomas Day Seymour, professor of Greek language and literature at Yale, and one of the foremost authorities on this subject, died at his home in New Haven, Conn., today.

Take DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills, they are for weak back, inflammation of the bladder, backache and weak kidneys. Sold by W. F. Creighton & Co.

NEW YEAR'S TURKEYS.

Received today 69 very fancy, dressed TURKEYS, weighing from seven to twelve pounds each. Also one hundred dressed CHICKENS, five DUCKS, five GEES.

We are still selling our famous OREGON SPITZENBERG APPLES and Arizona NAVELO ORANGES, finest on earth.

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Store will remain closed on Wednesday, New Year's Day. Thereafter, and until further notice, open at 8:30 a. m. and close at 5:30 p. m.
All Calendars Reduced to Half Price.

ATTENTION is invited to an unusually choice and complete assortment of Women's and Men's Dress requirements for New Year's Day, embracing everything that is proper, and including the most elegant imported high-art novelties and the latest pretensions. Also fine Table Napery, Rich Cut Glasses, Dainty China, Artistic Lamp, Table Delicacies and other accessories.

Men's Dress Requirements

A complete stock of all the latest approved styles and many novelties, including Full-dress Suits, Opera Hats, Full-dress Vests, Full-dress Bows and Ties, Full-dress Protectors or Shields, Collars and Cuffs, Silk Suspenders, Silk and Lisle Half Hose, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Cane, Cuff Links in silver, gold and enameled; Shirt Studs, &c., &c.
Main floor—F. t.

TABLE LINENS.